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PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of

Tsutomu OHZUKU, et al.

Serial No.: 10/629,815

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Group Art Unit: 1745

Examiner: CYNTHIA K. LEE

POSITIVE ELECTRODE ACTIVE MATERIAL AND NON-AQUEOUS For:

ELECTROLYTE SECONDARY BATTERY CONTAINING THE SAME

ELECTION UNDER 35 U.S.C. § 121

Mail Stop Amendment Hon. Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the restriction requirement set forth in the Office Action mailed June 2, 2006, having a shortened statutory period for response set to expire July 2, 2006, Applicants elect, without traverse, Species "Co" for M, and identify claims 1-14 as reading on the elected Species, for initial prosecution on the merits. Applicants also reserve the right to file a Divisional Application for the non-elected claims, which the Examiner has indicated are patentably distinct.

Applicants believe that no extension of time is required. However, this conditional petition is being made to provide for the possibility that Applicants have inadvertently overlooked the need for a petition for extension of time. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees associated with this

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communication or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-0417. A duplicate copy of this Response is enclosed for accounting purposes.

Respectfully submitted,

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